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The variety of mineral wealth in North East Kootenay is great and it exists in many shapes, both in solid and liquid forms; instances of which THE OUTCROP has given in different articles published in its columns. It now gives further instances of rich liquid deposits and these instances are its mineral wells and medicinal springs. These are scattered over a very large area and are found both in the Rocky mountain range in the east and the Selkirk on the west of the Columbia Valley.

The information regarding them is very scanty and most meagre in detail. All that is absolutely known about them is that they do exist and that their waters possess mineral properties and are believed to contain great medicinal virtues. This is true except with a few springs close at hand, and the value those few have not been thoroughly investigated, although they are frequently visited by invalids and many cures are reported.

The reason why the information is so defective is that it is mainly obtained from the prospector and a trapper, who have no knowledge of chemical compounds and are unacquainted with scientific facts about analysis and solutions. They are synthesis, quick in their perceptions and readily form true conclusions, while searching for pelts and furs, quartz ledges and mineral issues, their attention has been attracted to these springs, either by their strange taste or smell, by the hot temperature of the water, the clouds of evaporation arising on the curls, formations around the springs caused by the chemical action of the water on the surrounding matter. These curious phenomena have caused them to investigate, with the result that a great many of these springs—particularly the hot springs have now been located.

Those that are near a well travelled trail are now fairly well known and some of them have acquired a reputation more than local, for certain ailments. All of them remain practically in the same primitive condition as when they were first discovered, but many of them have been spoiled by local parties. The owners holding their properties without doing anything to them, waiting until the country opens up, when their opportunity will come.

These springs may be divided into two classes—hot and cold. Reputation, derived from the miner and trapper, has labelled these two classes with two distinct types. All hot springs are "sulphur springs" whatever may be its chemical properties, and all cold springs are "soda springs," although there may not be a particle of sodium in their composition.

These springs will become better known, and in a short time careful analysis will be obtained of those not already made, so that their chemical properties will be ascertained. Only in a few instances have chemical analysis been obtained of these springs. The result has been to indicate that there is much valuable wealth in these liquid mineral sources, as they are in some of the richest ledges that have been staked.

In this present article THE OUTCROP will only further refer to one or two springs in a meagre way, although it is the object to obtain as full an accurate information as can be obtained about these great and peculiar sources of wealth—the mineral wells and medicinal springs—and any information given will be gladly welcomed and published.

The two springs most patronized are the Fairmont and Fincher. The former are within five minutes walk of the main trunk road of this valley and the latter are two miles from the same road, but they are 25 miles apart. The most important point, seeing that their value is now generally acknowledged, is how can these hot springs be made wealth-producing. As a similar instance is the Hot Springs on Arrow Lake may be referred to. Seven years ago these were scarcely known to exist, but by judicious advertising they now patronized by hundreds of people annually, falling from all parts of the world, and a commodious sanitarium has been erected. Then, it will be necessary to erect buildings at or near the springs here and let their resources be known. This would work in well with the proposed tourist movement.

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Again jobs will be heard and calls and bails will be given by our residents in the World's Fair building in St. Louis.

The freight charges for carrying our bracts coal from the Pennsylvania mines aggregate \$100,000,000 a year.

Sighs for Mother's Pie and Jam.

The following poem was handed to a reporter for the *Manila American* by a soldier just in from Batangas:

Backward, turn backward, O time in your flight
And let me go home again just for to-night.

I am so weary of side-leather steak,
And pettined handkerchiefs a sledge can not break.

Tomatoes and beans in a hot water bath,
And bacon as strong as Goliath of Gath.

Weary of starving on what I cannot eat,
Of champing up rubber and calling it meat.

Backward, turn backward, I am,
And give me a smack at dear mother's jam.

And let me drink milk that has never been strained,
Let me eat butter whose hair has been trimmed.

Give me some more of old-fashioned pie
And then I'll be ready to go home and die.

NOTICE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia between

Robert Jamieson and Robert Park, Plaintiffs,
vs.
Miss Catherine Atkinson of Sault Ste. Marie,
Defendant (Judgment rendered).

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an order of the Court made on the 26th day of July, 1902, and by virtue of the writs of Habeas Corpus and Prohibition, now on file in the Court, the plaintiff, Robert Jamieson, will be received by the plaintiff, Robert Park, at the Court House, Victoria, British Columbia, on the 13th day of August, 1902, for the purpose of receiving the same.

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OF
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Monday, June 16, 1902
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